

shall be accompanied by a certificate of its validity. Limitations concerning corporate sureties are prescribed by the Secretary in Treasury Department Circular No. 570, as revised. The surety shall have no interest whatever in the business covered by the bond.

(b) Treasury Department Circular No. 570 (Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies) is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER annually as of the first workday in July. As they occur, interim revisions of the circular are published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. Copies may be obtained from the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20226.

(61 Stat. 649, 72 Stat. 1421, as amended; 31 U.S.C. 9304, 9306; 26 U.S.C. 5711; 5 U.S.C. 552(a) (80 Stat. 383, as amended))

[T.D. 6961, 33 FR 9488, June 28, 1968. Redesignated at 40 FR 16835, Apr. 15, 1975 and amended by T.D. ATF-92, 46 FR 46921, Sept. 23, 1981]

§ 270.132 Deposit of securities in lieu of corporate surety.

In lieu of corporate surety the manufacturer of tobacco products may pledge and deposit, as security for his bond, securities which are transferable and are guaranteed as to both interest and principal by the United States, in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225.

(61 Stat. 650, 72 Stat. 1421; 6 U.S.C. 9301, 9303; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 270.133 Amount of individual bond.

The amount of the bond of a manufacturer of tobacco products shall be not less than the total amount of tax liability on all tobacco products manufactured in his factory, received in bond from other factories and from export warehouses, and released to him in bond from customs custody, during any calendar month. Where the amount of any bond is no longer sufficient and the bond is in less than the maximum amount, the manufacturer shall immediately file a strengthening or superseding bond as required by this subpart. The amount of any such bond (or the total amount including strengthening bonds, if any) need not exceed \$250,000 for a manufacturer pro-

ducing or receiving cigarettes in bond; need not exceed \$150,000 for a manufacturer producing or receiving cigars, smokeless tobacco, or pipe tobacco in bond; and need not exceed \$250,000 for a manufacturer producing or receiving, any combination of tobacco products in bond. The bond of a manufacturer of tobacco products shall in no case be less than \$1,000.

[T.D. ATF-232, 51 FR 28080, Aug. 5, 1986; T.D. ATF-243, 51 FR 43194, Dec. 1, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-289, 54 FR 48839, Nov. 27, 1989]

§ 270.134 Amount of blanket bond.

In the case of a blanket bond filed under the provisions of § 270.67, where the total amount of individual bonds otherwise required for the factories under § 270.133 does not exceed \$250,000, such blanket bond shall be not less than the total amount of such individual bonds. Where the total amount of such individual bonds required is in excess of \$250,000 but not in excess of \$500,000, the amount of the blanket bond shall be not less than \$250,000 plus 50 percent of such total amount which is in excess of \$250,000. Where the total amount of such individual bonds required is in excess of \$500,000 the amount of the blanket bond shall be not less than \$375,000 plus 25 percent of such total amount which is in excess of \$500,000.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 270.135 Strengthening bond.

Where the amount of any bond is no longer sufficient under the provisions of § 270.133 or § 270.134, the manufacturer shall immediately file a strengthening bond in an appropriate amount with the same surety as that on the bond already in effect, unless a superseding bond is filed pursuant to § 270.136. Strengthening bonds will not be approved where any notation is made thereon which is intended, or which may be construed, as a release of any former bond, or as limiting the amount of either bond to less than its full amount.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5711)

§ 270.136 Superseding bond.

A manufacturer of tobacco products shall immediately file a new bond to